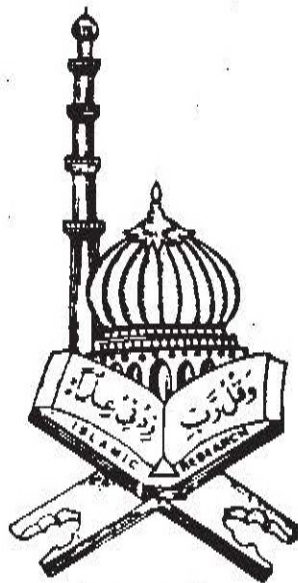


**HAZRAT ESA**  
(Alaihis-Salaam)  
**THE TRUTH REVEALED**

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# FOREWORD

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While studying in Deoband, I witnessed my teacher, Mufti Saeed Palanpuri, writing a booklet on Hazrat Esa (A.S.). On inquiry it was learnt that this effort was for the benefit and a request of a Madressah in England.

On my return to South Africa - we found many schools teaching incorrect, misleading and highly exaggerated information to the pupils and sadly the general public either regard these "deviations" as trivial or dislike them without the knowledge to correct the situation.

Concerning the above, the learned Mufti Saeed Palanpuri was consulted on his recent visit to South Africa (1986) and it was his advice that amongst other things - his booklet on Hazrat Esa (A.S.) be translated into English.

**Thereafter, with enthusiastic zeal, Hafez Ashraf Dhaler, Hafez Ashraf Ali Ebrahim and Hafez Ahmed Mohameddi translated the booklet which is now in your hands. May Allah reward them and grant them the continuous ability to do more.**

It is our heart felt plea that wherever such infiltrations enter the Deen, they must be ousted in whichever legal means possible - in this case - by the pen. Wherever there are Ulama and Huffaaz, institutions for translations of the works of the Ulema-e-Deoband should be started so that the English market be flooded with authentic literature thereby uprooting false beliefs, ignorance and thwarting the attempts of the Kuffaar by defying their Satanic beliefs.

## **NOW ON THE TOPIC ITSELF: - THE REALTY OF CHRISTIANITY. CHILDREN OF GOD:**

Jesus never called himself 'Son of God' - but he used to call himself the 'Son of Man' (ref. Mark 2:10) although he heard himself being called by that name he did not object - as assumed in the Bible -and did not consider the title exclusively for him.

According to the Biblical term in the Old and New Testaments, every God - fearing righteous person is called 'Son of God' Thus in Matthew 5/9 we read:- **"Blessed are the peace-makers, for they**

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### **JESUS: A PROPHET OF ALLAH:-**

**"And behold, one came and said unto him, Good master, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life? And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? (There is) none good but one, (i.e.) God, if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments" (Matthew 19-16/17).**

In the above verses we note the acknowledgement of Jesus's submissiveness to Allah's will. Also, **"And when the chief priests and pharisees had heard his parable, they perceived that he spoke of them. But when they sought to lay hands on him, they feared the multitude because they took him for a Prophet"** (Matthew 21-45/41) Hence it is proved that all those who believed in Jesus during his life-time did not believe in him being God or the Son of God or one in the doctrine of Trinity, but they believed in him as being a Prophet only. This is indeed one of the strongest points of evidence against those who believe in the Divinity of Jesus if only they pondered.

### **JESUS: PREACHER OF MONOTHEISM (TAUHID)**

**"And this is life eternal, that they might know thee, the only true God, and Jesus whom thou has sent" (John 17:3) and "And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all? And Jesus answered him: The first of all the commandments is, Hear O Israel, the lord thy God is one lord: And thou shalt love the Lord, thy God with all thy heart, And with all thy soul, And with all thy mind, And with all thy strength this is the first commandment" (Mark 12/28-30).**

**"And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master, thou has said the truth - for there is one God, and there is none other than He" (Mark 12/32) and " . . . he (Jesus) said unto him, Thou art not far from the Kingdom of God" (Mark 12/34).**

In these verses, Jesus himself had testified that Allah is one God, there is none other than Him, and that whoever believes in this oneness, he is near the Kingdom of Allah. Thus whoever associates partners with Allah or believes in the Trinity is far away from the Kingdom of Allah, and whoever is far away from the Kingdom of Allah is the enemy of Allah.

shall be called the children of God".

and

Matthew 5/45:- "That ye may be children of your Father which is in heaven. . . ."

#### **GOD THE FATHER:-**

"Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect" (Matthew 5/48); and  
". . . otherwise ye have no reward of your father which is in heaven" (Matthew 6/1) and  
"Not everyone that sayeth to me, O my master, shall enter unto the Kingdom of Heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in Heaven" (Matthew 7/21).

It is obvious from the above that the term 'Father' is used for God in numerous places in the Bible. It is never used only for Jesus. Also as in Matthew 11/25.

"At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank Thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because Thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent and has revealed them unto babes".

#### **JESUS THE WORSHIPPER:-**

"And when he had sent the Multitude away, he went up unto a mountain apart to pray . . ."

We say if Jesus is God or a part of God then why did he pray? In fact, prayer is always from a submitting, needy and dependent one for and to the Mercy of the Almighty Allah as mentioned in the Quraan.

"O men, it is you who stand in need of Allah but Allah is Rich (Free of all needs), Worthy of all Praise" (35 : 15) and "There is none in the heavens and the earth but comes to the Beneficent as a slave" (19 : 93)

Moreover, if Jesus is God or part of God, to whom shall he pray and for what?

Ulema have said that the person who is described by Jesus to come after him - in the above verse - does not comply with any other person but Muhammad (S.A.W.), the Rasul of Allah. This 'person' whom Jesus prophecised will come after him, is called in the Bible 'Pargaleeta'. This word was deleted by later interpreters and translators and changed at times to 'Spirit of Truth' and at other times, to 'comfortor' and sometimes to 'Holy Spirit'. The original word is Greek and its meaning is 'one whom people praise exceedingly'. The sense of the word is applicable to the word Muhammad in Arabic.

Now you may read a simple, straight forward, doubt erasing history of Hazrat Esa (Jesus) (A.S.).

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**"Jesus said unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and said unto him, Rabbani, which is to say, Master. Jesus said unto her, Touch me not, for I am not yet ascended to my Father, but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father and your Father, and to my God and your God. Mary Magdalene came and told the Disciples that she has seen the lord, and that He had spoken these things unto her."**

**(John 20-16)**

In the above narrative Jesus clearly testified that Allah is his God and their God, making no difference between him and them in the worship of the one Allah. Whoever believes that Jesus is God has indeed blasphemed against Allah and betrayed Jesus and even all the Prophets and Apostles of Allah.

#### **BIBLICAL PROPHECY ON THE ADVENT OF MUHAMMAD (S.A.W.)**

**"If you love me, Keep my commandments. And I will pray to the Father and He shall give you another comforter that he may abide with you forever".**

**(John 14-15/16)**

Ulema have stated that "another comforter" is Muhammad, the apostle of Allah, and him to "abide forever" means the perpetuity of his laws and way of life (Sharia) and the Book (Quraan) which was revealed to him.

**"But when the comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the spirit of Truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me, and he also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning." (John 15-26/27)**

**"I have yet many things to say unto you, but you cannot bear them now. How be it when he, the spirit of Truth, will come, he will guide you into all truth, for he shall speak of himself, but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak, and he will show you things to come. He shall glorify me, for he shall receive of mine, and he shall show it unto you." (John 16-12/14) and "a little while and you shall not see me: and again a little while, you shall see me, because I go to the Father." (John 16:16).**

## **THE UPBRINGING OF HAZRAT MARIAM ALAIHIS SALAAM.**

When Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) was entrusted to the attendants of Masjid-e-Aqsa, there was a disagreement to who would be responsible for her upbringing. It was the desire of every attendant to see to the upbringing of Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) In order to resolve this disagreement Allah Ta'aala ordered them to draw lots and He, Himself prescribed a unique and wonderful method. That all the attendants go to the river and place therein, the very pens they used to write the TAURAH. Thereafter whosoever's pen flows against the current of the river, instead of flowing with the current, will be considered as the rightful person for the upbringing of Mariam (A.S.)

The most senior attendant of Masjid-e-Aqsa was Hazrat Zakaria (A.S.), a Messenger of Allah Ta'aala and also the maternal uncle of Mariam (A.S.) Hazrat Zakaria (A.S.)'s pen flowed against the current of the river. Therefore Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) was entrusted to him and placed under his care. Thus Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) began living in Masjid-e-Aqsa under the care of her maternal uncle.

When she grew up, Hazrat Zakaria (A.S.) fixed a separate room for her. There she worshipped Allah Ta'aala all day long. At night she used to go with Hazrat Zakaria (A.S.) to her aunt Eesha's house.

(Qasasul Quraan Vol. 4)

## **THE MIRACLE OF HAZRAT MARIAM (A.S.)**

Hazrat Zakaria (A.S.) frequently visited Mariam (A.S.) Whenever he entered her room he witnessed strange things. Food, drink and fresh fruit, which were out of season, were found at her side. One day he asked her: "Mariam, where do all these things come from?". Mariam (A.S.) replied, "This is from Allah Ta'aala. Surely He provides for whom He desires without any stint".

(Surah Aale 'Imraan Verse 37)

Remember, this was the miracle of Mariam (A.S.) She was high in rank in the sight of Allah Ta'aala and a prized servant of Allah Ta'aala. In this manner Allah Ta'aala provides sustenance for his chosen servants.

## **THE BIRTH OF ESA (A.S.)**

Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) was fully occupied in worshipping Allah Ta'aala, day and night. All the saints of Baitul Muqaddis were very happy with her pure and chaste life. One day, for some necessity, Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) departed towards the western part of Baitul



**IN THE NAME OF ALLAH, THE BENEFICENT, THE MERCIFUL.  
HAZRAT ESA ALAIHIS - SALAAM.  
THE TRUTH REVEALED.**

**INTRODUCTION:**

Hazrat Esa (A.S.) is a Nabi (Prophet) of great status. His biography is pure, extraordinary and very interesting. Therefore read it with great concentration. His biography, begins from his beloved mother.

**THE BIRTH OF HAZRAT MARIAM ALAIHIS - SALAAM.**

Among the Bani-Israel there was a very famous saint by the name of Imraan, a person who was engrossed in total worship. His wife's name was Hannah. She too was virtuous. People showed great respect towards them and also served them. But Hannah grieved much because they did not have any children.

After every namaaz, Hannah made the following dua in the presence of Allah Ta'aala: "Oh My Creator! bless me with children who will become the coolness of my eyes and contentment of my heart".

Allah Ta'aala accepted this sorrowful dua (prayer) of Hannah. After a few days she had an indication that she was going to have a child. She became extremely overjoyed, and took a vow; "I will entrust this child that is in my womb for the service of Masjid-e-Aqsa".

A daughter was born to Hannah, after the demise of her husband, Hazrat Imraan (AS), and was named Mariam.  
(Quraan - Sura Aale Imraan Verse 35-36)

**HAZRAT HANNAH'S VOW IS FULFILLED.**

The birth of a girl confused Hannah as to how she would fulfill her vow. If it was a boy, he could render service to the masjid, but how would a girl render service to a masjid? However, Allah Ta'aala through His grace and mercy gave her (Mariam A.S.) honour, blessed her, and accepted her for the service of Masjid-e-Aqsa. Thus Hannah's vow was fulfilled.

Muqaddis. Suddenly the chosen angel of Allah Ta'aala, Hazrat Jibreel (A.S.) appeared in human form, in front of her. Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) became frightened when confronted by this strange person and she said to the angel: "Verily I seek refuge with the Compassionate from thee if thou art Allah-fearing". (Surah Mariam Verse 18)

Hazrat Jibreel (A.S.) said: "I am but an envoy of thy Lord and have come to bestow on thee a boy, faultless." (Surah Mariam verse 19)

"Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) said: "How can there be a boy unto me, whereas not a human being hath touched me, nor have I been a harlot". (Surah Mariam Verse 20).

Hazrat Jibreel (A.S.) said: "Even so Thy Lord says: easy it is with Me, and it is in order that We make him a sign to mankind and it is a mercy from Us, and it is an affair decreed." (Verse 21). Hazrat Jibreel (A.S.) also informed her that the name of the child will be Esa (Ihsa). His title will be Messiah and he will speak to the people from birth. After Hazrat Jibreel (A.S.) showed Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) everything he blew at her collar and vanished. After a few days she had an indication that she has a child in her womb. She began to fear that if this child is born then people will belittle and vilify this child in various ways. As her days passed the worry began to gain. Finally her worry reached such a peak that she left Baitul Muqaddis and went away to a mountainous place called Sa'ir, which is situated at a distance of nine miles, now known as Baitul Laham (Eng. Bethlehem).

At Baitul Laham (Bethlehem) when she began experiencing birth pangs she sat under the shade of a palm tree and overcome with shame and pain began saying "I wish I had died before all this and had become forgotten, lost in oblivion".

At this juncture the angel appeared for the second time, to calm Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) However, at this appearance he remained at a distance and exclaimed from there: "Grieve not, thy Lord has placed underneath thee a rivulet, (so that you shalt not suffer thirst) and shake towards thee the trunk of the palm-tree, dates will drop on thee fresh and ripe (so that you shalt not suffer hunger), so eat and drink thou, and cool thine eyes (with the sight of the child)". (Surah Mariam Verses 24-26).

## HAZRAT ESA A.S.'s DIALOGUE WITH THE PEOPLE AT BIRTH.

Hazrat Mariam (A.S.)'s greatest worry was how the people would eventually accept her son, without a father. In connection with this, the angel gave the following guidance from Allah Ta'aala: "When you intend returning to the people you should keep roza (fast)", that involves not speaking, then take the child and go towards the people. When the people ask you questions about the child then indicate to them, with gestures, that you have roza and that you shall not speak to anyone today, if they want to know anything they should ask the child".

Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) was comforted by this message of Allah Ta'aala and took the child in her arms and proceeded to Masjid-e-Aqsa. When she reached the town, she was confronted from all sides and was asked: "Mariam! What is this? You show us something strange and unbelievable. Your father was not a man of evil nor your mother unchaste! Now then, what have you done?"

Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) in accordance with the commandments of Allah Ta'aala pointed towards the child, to show that, whatever you wish to ask, ask this child. Today I have kept roza, which involves abstinence from speech<sup>1</sup>. People were astounded and began to say: "Mariam! What can we ask this mere child, who has just been born?"

But when the people heard the infant speak their surprise was overwhelming. The child said: "Verily, I am a servant from Allah; He hath vouchsafed me the Book and made me a Nabi (Prophet). He hath made me blessed wheresoever I may be, and enjoined on me the prayer and the poor rate as long as I am alive. And dutiful unto my mother, and hath not made me high-handed, unblessed. And peace be on me the day I was born and the day I die and the day I shall be raised up alive" (Surah Mariam Verse 33-35).

<sup>1</sup> To fast and abstinence from speech was permissible in the Shariah of the Bani Israeel. This type of fast is not permissible in our Shariah.

People were astonished at the infant's wisdom-filled talk. They were convinced that Hazrat Mariam (A.S.)'s dependant was pure and clean from all accusations. They accepted the birth of the child, without a father, to be a great sign of the divine power of Allah.

This is Hazrat Esa (A.S.) the blessed son of Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) The complete particulars and details about his birth is presented in the final book of Allah, the Qur'aan-e-Kareem, and is the ultimate truth. Besides the Qur'aan-e-Kareem, whatever people discuss, is all blasphemy. Do not have any faith in it at all.



## THE MIRACLES OF HAZRAT ESA (A.S.)

It has always being the procedure (custom) of Allah Paak that when He wishes to manifest the existence of a saint for the guidance of the people, then He bestows the saints with such miracles, which conform to the needs of the time. So that the messengers, through the medium of these miracles, may show their true religious intentions and also prove their sincerity. Miracles are such actions that an expert, with all his expertise, will not be able to perform works of that nature even if he tries.

Allah Ta'aala bestowed Hazrat Sulaiman (A.S.) with the miracle, that he could understand the talk of all the birds, and he also had control of the wind. When Namrud, the apostate, threw Hazrat Ebrahim A.S. into the blazing fire, the fire turned into a garden for him. Hazrat Moosa A.S.'s stick turned into a snake and also, when he pressed his hand under his armpit then his hand would shine like the sun. When our Nabi (S.A.W.) pointed his finger to the moon, it split into two parts. On the night of Me'raj, our Nabi (S.A.W.) went from Masjid-e-Haraam to Baitul Mukaddis and from there he went upto the seven heavens and toured Jannat and Jahannam and returned the very same night to Masjid-ul-Haraam. Our Nabi (S.A.W.)'s greatest miracle is, the Qur'aan Sharief. All the human and Jinns combined will not be able to produce even a small surah in comparison to it. In this way Allah Ta'aala also bestowed Hazrat Esa (A.S.) with miracles. A few great miracles are:

1. Through the order of Allah he would bring the dead back to life.
  2. Through the order of Allah he would restore eyesight to those who were blind
  3. Through the order of Allah he would cure lepers.
  4. He would make birds with sand, then breathe into them and through the order of Allah they would come alive and fly away.
  5. He could reveal to people what they had eaten and also what they treasure in their homes.
- (Surah Aale Imraan, Verse 49)

### HAZRAT ESA (A.S.)'s DISCIPLES

Hazrat Esa (A.S.) would preach the true religion to the people by showing them great miracles and by reading the Injeel to them. But very few people would listen to his advice. Most of the people mocked at him and troubled him in many ways. However, there were a handful of such pious people who accepted his invitation and gave, in trust, their lives and belongings for the sake of spreading the religion. These helpers were called his Disciples.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. Explain in detail the birth of Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) ?
2. Give the names of Hazrat Mariam (A.S.)'s beloved mother and father.
3. What vow did Hazrat Mariam (A.S.)'s mother take ?
4. Who saw to the upbringing of Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) ?
5. Explain the Miracle of Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) ?
6. When the angel appeared before Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) for the first time, what transpired ? What did she tell the angel ?
7. Why did Hazrat Mariam (A.S.) go to Bethlehem ?
8. At the time of Hazrat Esa (A.S.)'s birth what did the angel say to Mariam (A.S.) in order to console her. ?
9. Explain in detail the conversation of Hazrat Esa (A.S.) with the people at birth ?

#### PROPAGATION OF RELIGION.

When Hazrat Esa (A.S.) reached his youth, revelation began descending upon him. He then began propagating religion to his nation, (the Bani Israeel) and he reminded them of the lesson they had forgotten.

He told them, "People! I am the Messenger of Allah, Allah Ta'aala has commissioned (sent) me for your reformation, I have brought the Injeel, which is the book of Allah, for your guidance. It is a book which differentiates between truth and falsehood".

"People! Listen to my talk attentively and bow before one Allah only. Your success lies in it".

In this manner Hazrat Esa (A.S.) propagated the rightful teachings to his nation. He invited them to bring faith in the oneness of Allah, His angels, the recognition of His Messengers, in the Hereafter, fate and the Books of Allah and to perform righteous deeds. But the Bani Isra'eel were hard as stone. They were not willing to accept the true and rightful teachings. They were infact totally opposed to his teachings. They jeered and troubled Hazrat Esa (A.S.) in every way. But Hazrat Esa (A.S.) did not lose courage. He continued going to their localities and perservered steadfastly in the propagation of the true religion.

verily whosoever associateth aught with Allah, Allah shall surely forbid the garden unto him, and his resort is the fire; and for the wrong doers there shall be no helpers". (Surah Maaida Verse 72).

#### **QUESTIONS:**

1. What is meant by miracles ? Why are miracles given ?
2. What were the miracles of Hazrat Esa (A.S.)?
3. Relate some miracles of other prophets.
4. Who were known as the Disciples?
5. What were the objectives of Hazrat Esa (A.S.)'s apostleship?
6. What were the most important teachings of Hazrat Esa (A.S.), those upon which great emphasis were placed ?
7. What were the behaviour of the people when Hazrat Esa (A.S.) began with his propagation of religion?

#### **THE LIVING ASCENSION OF HAZRAT ESA (A.S.) INTO THE HEAVENS.**

Hazrat Esa (A.S.) propagated the message of Allah in every village and city and when night fell he stopped over wherever he was. He did not have a home nor did he marry. His reputation and religion began increasing day by day and people listened to his talks with keenness and wholeheartedly. How could the Jews accept the goodness and popularity of Hazrat Esa (A.S.)? With much difficulty his religion progressed. His (Esa A.S.'s) presence pricked the hearts of the Jews, like thorns. In the end people opposed him in every possible way. During this time the whole country was occupied by the Romans. The king's governor lived in Damascus. His name was Pilate and he was an idol worshipper. The Jews approached him in his court and requested "Elijah! Esa (A.S.) has not only become a threat to us but to the entire government. If his movement is not stopped then our religion will not remain intact. We have a fear that his continuous popularity will become a threat to a number of governments. His various types of miracles has fascinated the people and it is his desire to form a party and become the king of the Bani Isra'eel. Therefore in order to suppress this corruption, there is a need for immediate action, so that his talks do not spread."

Pilate accepted the word of the Jewish delegation and he issued a warrant of arrest for Hazrat Esa (A.S.) It was the government's plan to arrest Hazrat Esa (A.S.), when he was alone, so that no confusion arises among the people.<sup>1</sup> Hazrat Esa (A.S.) was informed of the scheme of his enemies through divine revelation. He gathered his

(<sup>1</sup>) Qasasul Qur'aan Vol. 4)

## **OBJECTIVES (AIMS) OF HIS APOSTLESHIP.**

Hazrat Esa (A.S.) was sent towards the Bani Isra'eel.<sup>1</sup> Those followers of Hazrat Moosa (A.S.) who had the book of Allah, the Taurah, had kept this magnificent book of Allah with evil intention and began altering many laws therein. Some of it they cast behind their backs and some of it they altered and kept. At this time Hazrat Esa (A.S.) was sent. The first objective of Hazrat Esa (A.S.)'s apostleship was the renewal of Hazrat Moosa (A.S.)'s religion. Announcement of the correct commandments (laws) of the Taurah and to settle the different problems. He told the Bani Isra'eel, "With assurity I have come unto you with wisdom, and to expound to you some of that where ye differ; so fear Allah and obey me." (Surah Zukhruf Verse 63)  
<sup>1</sup> (See Matthew Chapter 10 Verse 5 - Chapter 15 Verse 24)

The second objective of Hazrat Esa (A.S.)'s apostleship was to change some of the Taurah's commandments (laws) and issue new commandments (laws) to the Bani Isra'eel. For this purpose he was given a new book (Injeel), otherwise he would have propagated the teachings of the Taurah, which was given to the Messenger of the Bani Isra'eel, preceeding him. From amongst the prophets of Bani Isra'eel only Hazrat Dawood (A.S.) and Hazrat Esa (A.S.) were presented with new (divine) books. To show the people the purpose of his objective he instructed them thus: "And I came confirming to the Taurah that was before me, and to allow you some of that which was forbidden unto you". (Surah Aale Imraan Verse 50).

The third most significant objective of Hazrat Esa (A.S.)'s apostleship was to prophesy the apostleship of the final messenger, Hazrat Muhammed Mustapha (S.A.W.) so that when the leader of the prophets is sent then people will advance to his following in large numbers. It has been commanded in the Qur'aan Paak: And recall the time Esa, son of Mariam said: "Verily I am Allah's apostle unto you, to confirm the Taurah which was before me, and to give glad tidings of an apostle that will come after me: his name will be Ahmed". (Surah Saff Verse 6).

## **TEACHING OF THE ONENESS OF ALLAH.**

Hazrat Esa (A.S.) placed great emphasis and concern in the teaching of the Oneness of Allah and the fact that he was merely a servant of Allah. He would repeatedly tell his people, thus: "Verily is He my Rabb; and your Rabb; where therefore worship Him, this is the straight path". (Surah Aale Imraan Verse 51 and Surah Maryam Verse 36).

The Masih had said: Oh children of Isra'eel! worship Allah, my Rabb,

Allah Ta'aala mentions further: "And surely they slew him not. But Allah raised him unto Himself." (Surah Nisa Verse 157 - 158). Here this doubt may arise that Hazrat Esa (A.S.) reached the heavens and our Nabi Hazrat Muhammed (S.A.W.) stayed on earth, so the people in heaven are supposed to be superior to those on earth.

This doubt has no reality because there are many angels that ascend from the earth to the heavens day and night, and there are many more angels who remain there in the heavens. Then due to this, can we claim that angels are superior to any Nabi?

Besides, during the night of Meraj, our Nabi Hazrat Muhammed (S.A.W.) surpassed the heavens to such heights, that not even the greatest angel has reached, nor has any other Nabi passed that point. Therefore it is evident that it is incorrect to give superiority in rank to Hazrat Esa (A.S.) over Nabi (S.A.W.).

### **THE DESCENSION OF HAZRAT ESA (A.S.)**

It is an Islamic belief that before Qiyaamah, Hazrat Esa (A.S.) will descend to earth. He will break the cross, he will kill the pigs, he will abolish tax, and will invite all the people to Islaam. Allah Ta'aala will have Maseeh Dajjaal slain, by the hands of Hazrat Esa (A.S.) During his (Esa A.S.) era honesty (fidelity) and trust will spread on earth and become evident to such an extent that lions will graze with camels, female cheetahs with oxen and sheep with goats,

Children will play with snakes, but they will not be harmed. Hazrat Esa A.S. will remain on earth for a period of forty years, He will marry and have children. Thereafter he will pass away. The muslims will perform his janaazah namaaz and bury him in the Roza-e-Mubaarak of Hazrat Muhammed (S.A.W.). This descension will be a sign of Qiyaamah (i.e. he will descend close to Qiyaamah.)

At this time Hazrat Imaam Mahdi will be the leader of the muslims. While waging a holy war against the Christians and Jews, he will reach Shaam (Syria). Dajjaal, while leading people astray, will also reach there. One day at the time of Asr salaah while Imaam Mahdi and all the people will be present in a masjid in Damascus, Hazrat Esa (A.S.) will suddenly alight on the eastern minaret. The descension of Hazrat Esa (A.S.) will be visible to all present there. His blessed body will be of medium stature, his complexion will be reddish-white and his body will be wrapped in two sheets of deep pale yellow colour. He will be resting on the shoulders of two angels. When he bows his head then drops of water will drop from his head and when he lifts his head then the drops of water will roll down like pearls. Hazrat Esa (A.S.)'s special mission of descension is to slay Dajjaal. Dajjaal's



apostles in one place and said to them: "This is a time of our severe trial and examination. A complete force has been set up in order to erase the truth. I will not remain with you for a very long time. Therefore you will be fully responsible for the propagation of the religion. Tell me, will you remain to assist the religion in every condition?". All the companions replied: "We take an oath, that we will assist the religion of Allah and we bring faith in Allah with complete conviction. You are witness to our faith and obedience."<sup>1</sup> At this time Hazrat Esa (A.S.) absconded into a room in Baitul Muqqadis, together with some apostles. Somehow or other the government police were informed of his whereabouts and arrested him. At this point Allah Ta'aala revealed wahi (Revelation) to Hazrat Esa (A.S.) and gave him glad tidings thus: "Esa! do not despair, the enemy will not be able to assassinate you. I will raise you, towards Me, alive."

#### 1. Surah Aale Imraan Ayat 52

Allah Ta'aala fulfilled His promise and raised Hazrat Esa (A.S.), alive, to the heavens. The police first sent a spy to the house. When he got inside, there was no one there. He began searching the house to make sure that Hazrat Esa (A.S.) was not hidden anywhere. When their spy was delayed inside the police went into the house. Allah Ta'aala transformed the appearance of the spy into that of Hazrat Esa (A.S.) with the result that the police arrested the spy. He (the spy) cried out aloud "I am not Esa, I am one of your men." But the police did not believe him. They arrested him and placed him on a cross.

#### ON WHICH HEAVEN IS HAZRAT ESA (A.S.) ?

Hazrat Esa (A.S.) is on the second heaven. Rasulullah (sallallaahu alayhi wasallam) has mentioned, "During Meraj I met Hazrat Esa A.S. on the second heaven. I found him of medium stature, reddish white.. His body was so clean and clear, that it appeared as though he had just performed ghusal and come." In another hadith Rasulullah (sallallaahu alayhi wasallam) mentioned to the Jews that, "Hazrat Esa (A.S.) is not dead, he will most surely return to you before Qiyamat." (Mishkaat Shareef)

#### WAS HAZRAT ESA (A.S.) CRUCIFIED.

The actual truth is that which you have just read above. However, from that time upto today it is the common belief of the Christian church that Hazrat Esa (A.S.) was crucified and had passed away. It is evident that this thought is incorrect. The Qur'aan Majeed refutes this claim. Allah Ta'aala mentions: "They slew him not, nor did they crucify him but it was made dubious unto them." (Surah Nisaa Verse 157)

will proceed to the Masjid for Asr salaah. Suddenly Hazrat Esa A.S. will alight on the eastern minaret of Jaame Masjid in Damascus

(resting on the shoulders of two angels from the heavens). From there he will descend onto a platform, by means of stairs.

Imaam Mahdi and all the muslims will meet Hazrat Esa (A.S.) and will be very happy. They will request him to make Imaamat. Hazrat Esa (A.S.) will tell Imam Mehdi that: You are the Ameer-ul-Mu'mineen, you lead the prayer (salaah). At his persistence Imaam Mahdi will lead the salaah. After the completion of the salaah, Imaam Mahdi will request Hazrat Esa (A.S.) "Oh Prophet (Rasul) of Allah, now the responsibility of arranging the forces will be entrusted to you". But Hazrat Esa (A.S.) will refuse this offer and will explain that: "I have come with the sole purpose of slaying Dajjaal, because the slaying of Dajjal has been destined at my hands".

The following day after Fajr salaah he will set out to slay Dajjaal and will finally slay him outside the town, at Baab-e-Lud. Hazrat Esa (A.S.) will thus cleanse the earth of Dajjaal's evil and corruption. After this, Imaam Mahdi will rule with justice. People will be blessed with life of peace and harmony. However one year after the descension of Hazrat Esa (A.S.), Imaam Mahdi will pass away at the age of 49. Hazrat Esa A.S. will perform his janaazah salaah (funeral prayer) and bury him. After the demise of Imaam Mahdi, the reigns of government will be taken over by Hazrat Esa A.S. During his period of rule, GOG and MAGOG (Yajooj and Ma'jooj) will appear and spread corruption. Hazrat Esa (A.S.) will protect the Muslims, in conformity with the order of Allah Ta'aala. Hazrat Esa (A.S.)'s period of rule will last for forty years. During this time he will marry and have children. After forty years of rule he will pass away and he will be buried in Madinah Munawwarah next to our beloved Rasulullah (sallallaahu alayhi wasallam). (Signs of Qiyaamah by Moulana Shah Rafiuddin Dehlwi (R.A.) - Descension of Esa A.S.)

#### **THE BELIEFS OF MAJORITY OF CHRISTIANS.**

(Matthew Chap 27 V 27 - 31)

V 27. "Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the praetorium, then they gathered the whole Battalion before him. V 28. And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe upon him, V 29. and plaiting a crown of thorns they put on his head, and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him they mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" V 30. And they spat upon him and took the reed and struck him on the head. V 31. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe, and put his own clothes on him, and led him away to crucify him.

death has been destined at his (Esa A.S.'s) hands. By slaying Dajjaal, Hazrat Esa (A.S.) will thus give salvation to

<sup>1</sup> (Bukhaari Sharceef and other Ahaadith Kitaabs)

the creation of Allah Ta'aala from his (Dajjaal's) corruption.

#### **THE DETAILED PARTICULARS OF HAZRAT ESA (A.S.)'s DESCENSION.**

In the Qur'aan Paak and ahaadith certain great signs of Qiyaamah have been explained. Among them, one sign is the descension of Hazrat Esa (A.S.) from the heavens. Take heed (pay careful attention) to the detailed particulars of the descension of Hazrat Esa (A.S.) from the heavens. During this era the Christians will control many countries. In order to settle one dispute, numerous battles will take place among the Muslims and Christians. The leader of the Muslims during that era will have the title of Mahdi (Mahdi is that person who will defend the right of Allah). His height will be above average, his complexion will be blooming, his body will be lean and his features will resemble that of our beloved Nabi (S.A.W.). His name will be Muhammed, his beloved father's name will be Abdullah and his mother's name will be Aamina. He will be born in Madinah. When the reign of Imam Mehdi is under complete control, he will set out towards Syria with a huge army. He will be confronted by the Christian army near Damascus. For three consecutive days there will be a fierce battle between them. In each battle the Muslims will suffer great losses. On the fourth day heavy fighting will take place, and the Muslims will be victorious and successful. The enemy will be slain in such a way, that the survivors craving for governing will be entirely removed. They will flee from the battlefield leaving behind all their belongings.

After being relieved from the battle, Imaam Mahdi, will govern the country with complete justice. After sometime elapses, Dajjaal, the pretender, will make his appearance. He will be from amongst the Jews and his one eye will be blinded. The letters **KAF-FA-RA** will be inscribed on his forehead, which will be recognised by those who have faith. This accursed (Dajjaal) will appear between Syria and Iraq, with 70,000 Jews. He will invite towards Allah and will ignite the flames of evil and corruption in every direction. He will show people various tricks, but he will become entangled in his own trap. In the end, he will leave towards Syria with a very huge army.

When Imaam Mahdi receives information of Dajjaal's approach he will make preparations for war. Dajjal will meanwhile gather his forces outside Damascus. After arranging his forces, Imaam Mahdi

5. What are the beliefs of the Christians and how has the Qur'aan Majeed refuted these claims ?
6. Explain in detail the Islamic views with regard to the descension of Hazrat Esa (A.S.) ?
7. What are the beliefs of the majority of Christians? What defects are there regarding these beliefs? What do the impartial Christians say in this regard?

#### **THE NOBLE QUR'AAN AND THE INJEEL.**

Allah Ta'aala sent a prophet unto every nation during every period (era). At the very end Allah Ta'aala made Hazrat Muhammed (S.A.W.) a Prophet and sent him with the final message of the Noble Qur'aan, in which lies guidance and success for the entire mankind. The Qur'aan testifies to all the Prophets of Allah and heavenly books. It has given the description of Hazrat Esa (A.S.) and also states, without doubt, that the Injeel is the Book of Allah. Together it also shows that the Christians have changed the true teachings of the Injeel. On account of this, Allah has stated in the Noble Qur'aan: "They (Christians) pervert the words after they have been set in their places." (Surah Maaida Verse 41)

#### **THE NOBLE QUR'AAN AND THE PRESENT CHRISTIANITY.**

Hazrat Esa (A.S.) was a true messenger and propagator of Tauheed (Oneness of Allah). Like the other Prophets of Allah Hazrat Esa (A.S.)'s teachings were solely the Oneness of Allah. The Qur'aan, which testifies to this fact, states: "The Masih had said Oh Children of Isra'eel; worship Allah my Rabb and your Rabb; verily whosoever associateth aught with Allah, Allah shall surely forbid the garden unto him, and his resort is the fire, and for the wrong-doers there shall be no helpers." (Surah Maa'ida Verse 72)

Besides, the bible of Matthew and Luke, also testify to this. It is mentioned in Matthew, chapter 4 verse 10. Then Jesus said to him, "'Begone, Satan! for it is written, "You shall worship the Lord your God and Him only shall you serve"' and in Matthew chapter 23, verse 9, it is mentioned that Hazrat Esa A.S. gave the following guidance to his followers: "And call no man your father on earth for you have one Father, who is in heaven."

It is evidently clear from these statements in the Noble Qur'aan and Injeel that the original teachings of Hazrat Esa A.S. was the Oneness of Allah. But, it is unfortunate that the Christians have corrupted the

"And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli Eli, La'ma sabach tha'ni?" that is, "My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken me?" (Matthew Chap 27 V 46')

These are the beliefs of the majority of Christians. But ponder for yourself, if these facts are indeed in the present Injeel then how is it possible for Allah Ta'aala to insult his chosen Prophet to this extent. It seems evident from these facts that instead of being patient and thankful he became despondent. He complained to Allah, screamed and gave his life. Allah forbid! Good Gracious! How can these accusations be levelled at a Prophet of such high calibre, like Hazrat Esa (A.S.)

The truth is that this is a fabrication of the Jews. However, the tragedy is that the Christians have also believed this. Today, after listening to the accusations levelled by the very same Jews, the Christians say that "If the Messiah was a Prophet then he would not have expressed

such impatience"

#### **VIEWS OF CERTAIN CHRISTIANS.**

There are always certain people among the Christians, whose views are in total conformity with the Muslims. One European scholar (Di Banson) has written in his famous book (Islam or True Christianity) that amongst the many sects of Christianity, one sect believe in the living ascension of Hazrat Esa (A.S.) Mister Sale also made mention of certain sects, among the Christians, whose belief is that Hazrat Esa (A.S.) did not pass away, but that he was lifted into the heavens.<sup>1</sup> Besides these, one of the ancient sects among the Christians, (Bosiledious), whose founder passed away in the year 140 A.D. said publicly, that Hazrat Esa (A.S.) was not placed on a cross.<sup>2</sup> It is evident from these statements that Esa (A.S.)'s living ascension to the heavens is not only the belief of the Muslims but also the belief of the impartial and Christians as well.

(<sup>1</sup>Tafseer Maajidi P 137/<sup>2</sup> Tafseer Maajidi P 227)

#### **QUESTIONS:**

1. Why did the Jews initiate opposition to Hazrat Esa (A.S.) ?
2. What did the opposition tell Pilate ?
3. How did Allah offer protection to Hazrat Esa A.S.?
4. At present where is Hazrat Esa (A.S.)?

A.S. to be the son of Allah, is incorrect, but it is mentioned in the Qur'aan that: "The Messiah Esa, son of Mariam, is but an apostle of Allah." (Surah Nisa Verse 171). In refutation of the third sect the Qur'aan states: "Assuredly they disbelieve who say: "Allah is the third of those; whereas there is no Allah except the One Allah. And if they desist not from that which they say, there shall surely befall those of them who had disbelieved a torment afflictive." (Surah Maaida V 73). At another place it states: And say not three, Desist, that it may be well for you. Allah is but the one Allah: hallowed be He that there should be unto Him a son! His is whatsoever is in the heavens and the earth, and sufficeth Allah as a trustee." (Surah Nisa Verse 171)

### **THE INCORRECT PERCEPTION OF THE CHRISTIANS.**

The deception of the Christians, with regard to Hazrat Esa A.S. being the Son of Allah and the trinity are because of two reasons. One is that Hazrat Esa A.S. was born without a father. Secondly, they cannot recognise the true reality of Allah Ta'aala. The Noble Qur'aan clearly explains the actual reality of the above claims. It relates: "Verily the likeness of Esa with Allah is as the likeness of Aadam: his He created out of dust, thereafter He said, unto him: Be and Lo! he becometh. (Surah Aale Imraan Verse 59) i.e. Hazrat Esa A.S. was born without a father and Hazrat Aadam A.S. was born without a father and mother. If you regard Hazrat Aadam A.S. as a bringer of glad tidings, then how can you believe Hazrat Esa A.S. to be God when he was born from the womb of his mother.

In another place in the Qur'aan it is mentioned, "Say thou: He is Allah, the One! Allah, the independent. He begetteth not, nor was He begotten. And there never been co-equal with Him anyone. (Surah Ikhlāas Verse 1-2-3) i.e. Allah Ta'aala is one complete Being. Allah cannot be regarded as Trinity because He is independent. (He begetteth not) He has no children nor was He begotten. Nor is anyone comparable unto Him. Therefore how can Trinity prevail?

### **QUESTIONS:**

1. What was the basic teaching of Hazrat Esa (A.S.)? Explain with reference to the Injeel.
2. When did this shirk belief of trinity come into existence?
3. Have you understood Trinity? Explain whatever you have understood.

teaching of Hazrat Esa (A.S.) and substituted the Oneness of Allah with Trinity and began calling Esa (A.S.) the Son Of God whereas Saint Paul, who was a Jew used his religious enmity (for the Christians) as a reason and taught Trinity (3 Gods). Before this, the Christian people were positively unaware of such beliefs.

#### **WHAT IS TRINITY?**

The essence of trinity is that Three is in One and One is in three. How is this? What do you understand by this? The most famous explanation of this belief among the Christians is that the "Father" (Allah Taaala) is God; the "Son" (Hazrat Esa A.S.) is God and the "Holy Spirit" (Jibra'eel) is God or "Messiah - Mary; and God." But this combined are not three Gods, but one God only. Allah Protect Us!

#### **ANECODOTE:**

An intelligent person became a Christian. The priest taught him about trinity and a few days later examined him to establish whether he understood Trinity or not. The new Christian replied: "Very well!" The priest asked him to explain what he had understood, He replied: "One is in three and three is in one. One was crucified, and died. Therefore all three had died because all three were in one. Therefore there is no God left."

#### **NOBLE QUR'AAN AND THE VARIOUS CHRISTIAN SECTS.**

When the Noble Qur'aan was being revealed, the three major sects of Christianity had different beliefs. One sect claimed that Esa A.S. is God. The second sect claimed that Esa A.S. is the son of God and third sect claimed that all three were in One i.e. "Father" "Son" "Mary" or "Father" "Son" and "Holy Spirit". The Noble Qur'aan vehemently refutes all three false claims of the Christians. In refutation of the first claim, the Qur'aan states: "Assuredly they have disbelieved who say: Verily Allah: He is the Messiah, son of Mariam". (Surah Maai'dah V 72). It is evident from this that Esa A.S. is not Allah, nor did he teach that he was Allah, he only proclaimed that he was a servant of Allah.

In refutation to the second claim, the Qur'aan states: And the Jews say: "Uzair is a son of Allah, and the Nazarenes say: the Masih is a son of Allah. That is their saying with their mouth." (Surah Taubah V 30). It is clear from this verse, that those people who believe Hazrat Esa



Also it cannot be established as to whether it is the original, correct translation or whether some changes were made in it.

### **THE BIBLE OF MARK**

The second bible is of Mark, who was the student of Peter. Among the Christians there is a difference of opinion as to when the bible of Mark was written. Generally, the thought among the scholars of Christianity is this, that it was written in 61 A.D., in the presence of Peter. A famous Christian scholar Peter Gwamac says that when the Romans chose Christianity, then this bible was written at their request. Mark denied Hazrat Esa (A.S.) as being Allah.

### **THE BIBLE OF LUKE**

The third bible is of Saint Luke, who practised medicine in Antioch. He did not see Hazrat Esa (A.S.) but studied Christianity by Saint Paul (Paulus). Regarding Saint Paul, this fact has reached a point beyond doubt, that he was an arch enemy of Christianity. He made proclamations in an effort to wipe out Christianity. But when he saw that inspite of all opposition, Christianity continued to progress and he could not put an end to it, he initiated a plan. He began saying to the people that "A wonderful miracle has come about, I suddenly fell to the ground, as if someone threw me down. In this condition Hazrat Esa (A.S.) came to me and began saying angrily: "Beware! Never oppose my believers in future." At that very moment I brought faith on Hazrat Maseeh. Thereafter, on his orders, I availed myself for the service of the Christians. Hazrat Esa (A.S.) also told me to advise the people from the bible, so that they may follow it." Saint Paul gradually gained control of the churches. All the priests began accepting his talks. He benefitted from this opportunity and began to wipe out the original religion of Christianity by adding new things to it. It was he who invented the belief of Hazrat Esa (A.S.) being God, the theory of three Gods and the innovation of atonement. He made liquor, carrion and pigs permissible for consumption. In short, the present day Christianity is not the religion of Hazrat Esa (A.S.) but a fabrication of Saint Paul.

Luke is the student of Saint Paul. Therefore, who can claim that his bible is correct! Even the Christian scholars confess that the bible of Luke is not a heavenly book. Mister Giddle or (Girdle) states that Luke's bible is not a divine revelation. The reason being that Luke himself writes at the beginning of his bible. "In as much as many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the things which have been accomplished among us, just as they were delivered to us by those



4. Which verse of the Noble Qur'aan refutes the belief of Trinity?
5. Which verse of the Noble Qur'aan refutes the belief that Hazrat Esa (A.S.) is the son of Allah?
6. Which verse of the Noble Qur'aan refutes the belief that Hazrat Esa (A.S.) is Allah?
7. Why have the Christians created the incorrect perceptions with regard to Hazrat Esa (A.S.)? How has the Qur'aan refuted these incorrect perceptions?

#### **THE PRESENT BIBLES.**

Are the present four bibles the very same Injeel which was revealed to Hazrat Esa (A.S.)? In reply to this question, men of knowledge are unanimous (Christians included) that none of these four are the actual injeel of Hazrat Esa A.S. nor its translation. The Christians have no proof for the present four bibles, upon which they can claim, that it is the very same Injeel which Allah Ta'aala revealed unto Hazrat Esa (A.S.) But it is evident from the history of the Christian religion that from the first century upto the fourth century the Christians believed in a countless number of bibles as heavenly revelations. However in the year 325 A.D. the Nicene Council selected four bibles and rejected the rest. This selection was not based on any historical or religious grounds. Instead a type of omen was issued for it and this, they began confessing, were infact true revelation. Even the philosophers of Europe today accept this fact that in the first three centuries after Hazrat Esa (A.S.) more than a hundred bibles were found. Besides four, the reading of the rest of the bibles have been prohibited through the verdict of the church. With this verdict all the bibles gradually became obsolete.

We will now relate to you, in some detail, about the present four bibles. Ponder (reflect) carefully!

#### **THE BIBLE OF MATTHEW.**

Among the present four bibles, the bible of Matthew is regarded to be the oldest. But the unanimous decision of the old and new scholars of Christianity is this, that the present bible of Matthew is not original. The original bible of Matthew was in the Hebrew language, which Matthew wrote in the year 39 A.D. in Baitul Muqaddis. But, it has now been destroyed. The present bible of Matthew is a translation of the original. The astonishing fact is this, that the translators name is not found on it nor is there any indication as to when it was translated.

The belief of the Shernitos group was that Hazrat Esa (A.S.) was not Allah. He was a human who was born from the womb of Hazrat Mariam (A.S.)

Upto now it is clear to you that the four bibles are not true heavenly books. Besides this the following few special points are worth mentioning:

1. Hazrat Esa (A.S.)'s final stages of life have also been recorded in those bibles. If the Christians conform to the belief that Hazrat Esa (A.S.) was crucified etc, then thoughtfully consider this, if these bibles are original then where do these things come from? It is evident that no revelation took place during the final stages of Hazrat Esa (A.S.)'s life, who then has added these detailed events?
2. There is a strong difference of opinion in these bibles. The way in which an incident is related in one bible is completely contradictory in the other bible. Allah Ta'aala has mentioned very distinctly in his final Book, the Noble Qur'aan, that Hazrat Esa (A.S.) was not crucified nor was he killed. Therefore, if these bibles are true and correct then the crucifixion and these other incorrect beliefs would not have been included, as they are contrary to the teachings of the Holy Qur'aan.

After careful pondering there is a clear indication that the present four bibles are not original, nor has it been proven through any reliable source, that these writings are the works of Hazrat Esa (A.S.)'s disciples. However it is the literary works of various writers, in which the truth and lies are adulterated. Some of the advices of Hazrat Esa A.S. have been added. That is why in the copies (of the bible) there are only glimpses of the original to be found. The original (Injeel) became a victim of change, at the hands of the Christians and was finally lost.

FOR FURTHER REFERENCE AND EXPLANATION REFER TO IZHARUL HAQ.

#### QUESTIONS:

1. How many bibles were there altogether? At present how many bibles are accepted by the Christians?
2. How were the four bibles selected? And who selected them?
3. What do you know about the bible of Matthew?

who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, it seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, that you may know the truth concerning the things of which you have been informed." (Bible Luke Chapter 1 Verse 1 to 4).

From this, three facts are clear;

1. There weren't four bibles, but many people wrote out their own bibles.
2. Luke was not present during the era of Hazrat Esa A.S.
3. Luke, together with Theophilus, wrote this bible on the basis of letters and writings

Even the Christian scholars have clarified that the bible of Luke came into existence after the bible of Mark. This bible of Luke was written after the death of Peter and Saint Paul.

#### **THE BIBLE OF (JOHN) THE BAPTIST.**

The fourth bible is of John. With regard to it, the general belief of the Christians is that this, is the bible of the most beloved disciple of Hazrat Esa (A.S.), John the Baptist. He was one of the twelve disciples of Hazrat Esa (A.S.) The view of the majority of the Christian scholars is that this bible is not of John the Baptist but was written from the beginning to end by a religious scholar at a theological school in Alexandria.<sup>1</sup> Burtush Needer writes that this bible is not the work of John, the disciple of Hazrat Esa (A.S.), but was written at the beginning of the second century by an unknown person. In order for it to be accepted and become famous, John's name was written on it. A famous Christian scholar, Karotis, explains that this bible comprised of twenty chapters. Thereafter, the church of Essenes added the twenty-first chapter when John had passed away.

(<sup>1</sup> Catholic Herald)

It is evidently clear from these declarations that this bible is definitely not the bible of John the disciple. It was written in order to suppress the correct beliefs and to spread the incorrect beliefs. Jarjees Labnani writes: In the year 96 A.D. I was in a meeting of eminent priests. After mutual consultations, they presented themselves to John and requested that he write a book in which he specifically proves Hazrat Esa (A.S.) to be the son of Allah so that they may have a firm hand against the group of Shernitos".

word in the Noble Qur'aan, not a single Zabar, Zer, pesh (diacritical points) or dot been added or deleted, nor will any change ever be made there in. Allah Ta'aala favoured our Nabi (S.A.W.) with such a pure deen (faith), that it will suffice until Qiyamat for the whole of mankind's "worldly success" and "salvation in the hereafter". This is why there is no need for a new prophet or a new religion!

#### **WILL HAZRAT ESA (A.S.) RETURN FOR A SECOND TIME AS A PROPHET?**

You are probably thinking that when Hazrat Esa (A.S.) returns to the world for a second time, before Qiyaamah, the whole of mankind will follow him and obtain his favour and blessings. Therefore, will Hazrat Esa (A.S.) be the last prophet? How can our Nabi (S.A.W.) be the last prophet (seal of prophethood)?

Look-Think carefully! There is no doubt that Hazrat Esa (A.S.) will return to the world again during the final stages of this world. But remember, this time he will not reign as a prophet, instead he will return as a follower and a successor of our Nabi (S.A.W.)! This does not mean that his prophethood will end, his commission of prophethood will remain. Understand this point with the following example! When the governor of a state goes to another state then although he is not a governor of that state, his governorship does not end i.e. He will have to obey the governor of the state he is visiting.

(Ma'aariful Qur'aan Vol. 2 Page 77)

#### **FINALITY OF PROPHETS - SEAL OF PROPHETHOOD.**

The chain of prophethood ended with our Nabi Muhammed S.A.W. Now nobody will be given any form of prophethood. Whoever had to be given prophethood have received it. Our Nabi (S.A.W.'s) turn of prophethood came after all the other Prophets, so that it may suffice until Qiyamat. Accordingly, in support of this the Noble Qur'aan states: "Muhammed is not the Father of any of your males but he Apostle of Allah and the seal of the Prophets". (Surah Ahzaab V40). It is clear from this verse that is no prophet is to come after our Nabi (S.A.W.) and that is why our Nabi S.A.W. was given the title 'Seal of Prophets'. Our Nabi (S.A.W.) stated during the sermon in his farewell Haj, in the presence of a hundred thousand people: "Oh people! Verily there will be no prophet after me nor will there be an ummat after you". (Minsab Nabuwat 218).

There will be no new prophet after our Nabi (S.A.W.) because prophethood ended with our Nabi (S.A.W.) That is why, during the khilaafat of Hazrat Abu Bakr (R.A.) when a person by the name of Musailimah, the liar, falsely claimed to be a prophet, Hazrat Abu Bakr

4. What do you know about the bible of Mark?
5. What do you know about the bible of Luke?
6. Luke was the student of whom?
7. Explain in detail the particulars of Saint Paul, was he a true Christian or an imposter?
8. What do you know regarding the bible of John (the Baptist)? Is this the writing of John the Baptist?
9. What proof is there, that the four bibles are not true divine revelations?

#### **FINALITY OF PROPHETHOOD AND THE NOBLE QUR'AAN**

Was our Nabi (S.A.W.) sent for the whole of mankind? Whichever Prophet came before our Nabi, Hazrat Muhammed (S.A.W.) came to a specific country or nation for a specified period. This is the reason why no mention has been made in any of the heavenly books, before the Qur'aan, that a prophet has been sent for the whole of mankind. Nor did any Prophet claim that he had been sent for the entire world. The Noble Qur'aan gives the following information with regard to the present heavenly books: "They pervert the words from the meaning thereof." (Surah Maa'i-dah Verse 13) i.e. The laws in the original books of Allah were changed and the words altered. The details of which you have already studied.

On the contrary, when our Nabi (S.A.W.) came to the world the Noble Qur'aan stated the following, with regard to him "And we have not sent thee save as a bearer of Glad Tidings and a Warner unto all Mankind." (Surah Saba Verse 28). In another place it states: "Say thou, Oh Mankind! Verily I am the Apostle of Allah Unto you all." (Surah A'raaf Verse 158). i.e. our Nabi (S.A.W.) has been sent as a prophet for the whole of mankind, until Qiyaamah.

#### **THE PROTECTION (SAFEGUARDING) OF THE QUR'AAN.**

When the Qur'aan was given to our Nabi (S.A.W.) by Allah Ta'aala then, in order to prove that the Qur'aan will remain forever, it (Qur'aan) stated. "Verily We It is We who have revealed the admonition, and verily We are the Guardians Thereof." (Surah Hijr Verse 9). This is the reason why, upto today, the very same words of the Qur'aan are safeguarded in the hearts of thousands and millions of huffaaz (those who memorise the Qur'aan). Let alone any revealed

## SOME QUESTIONS FOR THE CHRISTIANS

*Why are Christians afraid of science and reason.* If a man with conscience were to assess the present-Bible which is a source-book for the Christians, he is faced with corroding doubts like:

- (i) Do the Gospels claim in any verse that it is a revelation of God, the Creator of all this grand design of life?
- (ii) Was only one Gospel or more than one Gospels revealed to Jesus Christ (peace be upon him)?
- (iii) If only one message was revealed, how were the present Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John and others like that of Barnabas recorded?
- (iv) If these Gospels are from God, why do they bear the names of their authors, whose recording is full of contradictions and highlight the controversies of their contents, events and teaching?
- (v) In recording the genealogy of Holy Jesus Christ (PBH) and teachings why Matthew mentions 28 and Luke 43 ancestors in his genealogy, with varying names of these ancestors? Why is the story of Herod given only in Matthew and not others?
- (vi) When the language of Holy Christ (PBH) was Aramaic, why were all the Gospels in different language and is there not natural doubt about the correct understanding and an adulterated transmission by the persons to whom Gospels are attributed?
- (vii) Roman Catholic Bible contains 72 books and the Protestant Bible has 66 only, which of the two Bibles is the correct word of God?
- (viii) Old Testament had 56 books, while the present edition contains 39 only? Where are the 17 missing books? Why have these been cancelled? and by whose authority?
- (ix) Which was Bishop's Bible, the contents of which were changed by king James of England? Is it not a fact that 20,000 errors were found in this king James Bible, after it had been affirmed as authentic for 259 years? Why was this Bible reviewed and replaced by an other Bible in 1884? Why did the Americans produced a new Bible in 1901 and amended it in 1952? How and why can one regard any one of these Bibles as authentic?

Siddique (R.A.) together with the Sahaba (R.A.), conducted Jihaad (holy war) against Musailimah and his followers and killed them, in a similar manner as the disbelievers.

You should know that in this time also, a person by the name of Mirza Ghulam Ahmed who was born in the town of Qadian, a state of Punjab, falsely claimed, to be a prophet. You should regard him to be a liar. All the Ulama-e-Haqq of the ummat have passed a verdict, labelling him an unbeliever (Kaafir).

**BELIEF:** It is necessary for every muslim to have this belief that there will be no prophet or messenger of any kind after our Nabi Hazrat Muhammed (S.A.W.) Whosoever claims prophethood of any form after our Nabi (S.A.W.) is a liar, rejects the the Qur'aan and is an unbeliever. Whosoever believes such a person to be a prophet is also an unbeliever.

#### **QUESTIONS:**

1. From which verse of the Noble Qur'aan is it deduced that our Nabi (S.A.W.) has been made a prophet until Qiyaamah?
2. Why is there no need for a new prophet to come after our Nabi (S.A.W.)?
3. When Hazrat Esa (A.S.) returns to this world for a second time before Qiyaamah why will he not be regarded as the a last Nabi?
4. Prove from Qur'aan and Hadith that our Nabi (S.A.W.) is the seal of prophethood?
5. Who is Mirza Ghulam Ahmed and what verdict has been given against him by the Ulama-e-Haqq?
6. If anybody claims to be a prophet after our Nabi (S.A.W.) then what should such a person and his followers be regarded as?

- (x) The Bishop of Canterbury confirmed the findings of a specifically constituted commission in 1930 that the Bible is free from errors, but can it be sustained in the light of modern knowledge and latest research?
- (xi) Is it not treason against His Messenger, Jesus Christ (PBH) to mutilate, change, cancel and attribute motivated meanings of the Word of God? A candid response will convince us about the unreliability of this source book and super-structure of myths based on it.

## POINTS FOR CHRISTIANS TO PONDER OVER

Further regarding any human being, howsoever exalted, as God, the Creator and the Destroyer of life and matter is irrational, to say the least. Were not all these persons born of their mothers? What did they consume in the womb? Anything different from that required for sustenance of similar biological life? Did they experience hunger and thirst like other living creatures? Did they sleep and walk about like other human beings?

According to Christian belief, was Jesus Christ (PBH) not tempted by Satan? How can God be led astray by Satan, a figure created by Him? Did Christ get circumcised like other Jews? Did he not get instruction from others? How can such a person be regarded as God or as a sharer of His Immortality? Was not Christ betrayed by Juda? Strange God who can be let down by his followers. Was he not tried in a court, made to wear a crown of thorns? Spat on the face?

In fact, subjected to such sustained insult and ridicule, as forced him to cry out to his God who had deserted him. Is that worthy of a real God? Did Mary, the mother of Christ (PBH) have other male and female children and were they all endowed with Godly qualities and born of God?

Trinity or plurality of God is factually and logically a strange type of dogma and goes contrary to the teachings of even Bible,

Atonement also is an unreasonable doctrine. Christians allege that God sacrificed his only son to atone for the sins of mankind. Does it mean that Mary, who was a human being was also a sinner and anything born out of her must also be biologically a sinner? What sins had been committed by Jesus (PBH) that he was baptized by John?